

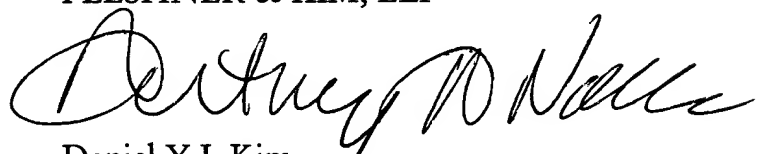
REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. By this Preliminary Amendment, the specification and claims have been amended. Prompt examination and allowance in due course are respectfully solicited.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Anthony H. Nourse, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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Amended Claims With Mark-ups to Show Changes Made

5. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein transferring bearer information comprises:

 sending a request from the origination BSC to the MSC for [Configuration] Connection Management service carrying required information, for setting up a radio link with the origination mobile station upon reception of a call set up message from the origination mobile station;

 sending a request from the MSC to the termination BSC for the termination number for a call, to set up a radio link between the termination BSC and the termination mobile station; and

 transferring bearer information of the termination BSC to the origination BSC, and transferring a response to the bearer information from the origination BSC to the termination BSC, to form the bearer path.

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